

# HARBOR RIDGE ESTATES MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION

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Planning Commissioner  
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Correspondence  
Item No. 0.1  
Public Comments



RE: Harbor Ridge Maintenance Association

Dear Mr. Ameri:

For many years we have been communicating with John Conway, Urban Forester, for the City of Newport Beach about a problem we have with some tall Eucalyptus trees. These trees are located on Port Durness Place and are blocking the views of homeowners who live on Monaco and St. Tropez.

Every year these trees grow several feet higher and some of the trees are now over 60 feet high. Our landscape company tells us this type of tree will grow to be 100 feet. These trees have already obstructed the view from many of our homes and soon we will have no view.

We are requesting that these Eucalyptus trees be removed. The trees are located from Port Harwick and wind around to the end of Port Durness.

Approximately 9 years ago, the homeowner association below us planted smaller Tristania trees between the Eucalyptus trees in this affected area, anticipating the removal of the Eucalyptus trees. The Tristanias were allowed to establish themselves and flourish and can now fill the space of the removed Eucalyptus trees.

We would also like to point out that Port Durness Place is a single loaded street. One side of the street is a greenbelt and this area is maintained by Harbor Ridge.

This problem is very serious for the homeowners since their views have a great impact on the value of the homes. We hope the city will have these trees removed.

Cc Steve Badum  
Public Works Director

If you have any further questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me at (949) 448-6008 or by email [dgaly@metitpm.com](mailto:dgaly@metitpm.com).

Sincerely,

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